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FROM THE DESK OF THE STATE LIBRARIAN......The annual meeting of NHAIS, the N.H. Automated Information System was held on March 18th at the Highlander Inn, Manchester. This was the 21st such meeting that has been called by the State Librarian to inform the NHAIS members about the state of the system and to provide information about future projects and development. An important component of the meeting is the highlighted topic. A speaker is invited who can give the membership a sense of where technology is heading and what the impact will be. This year the State Library invited Amy Benson, Director of Digital Services at NELINET to talk about where the digital library is going, what is in the future, and what libraries need to do in order to take advantage of the digital opportunities. Ms. Benson provided an overview of the digital process and identified a number of important projects that NELINET has been working on. It is clear that the digitalizing of materials will become an important aspect of all libraries' responsibilities. The State Library is working to provide New Hampshire libraries assistance and support in this process. To get a copy of the PowerPoint presentation Ms. Benson used to discuss the digitization go to: www.nelinet.net/abenson/nhais.ppt; and to see what the Library of Congress has done see the American Treasures project at: www.loc.gov/exhibits/treasures.

-Michael York, State Librarian

NEW HAMPSHIRE LIBRARIANS' DAY

by Darlene Reinhard NH State Libray

The N.H. State Library, in cooperation with the office of Congressman Charles Bass, is pleased to present an extraordinary opportunity for New Hampshire public, school, and academic librarians, trustees, and/or staff and spouses.

Be among the first 40 New Hampshire librarians to traveL to Washington, D.C. on Thursday, September 16, 2004 to visit the Supreme Court building and a "behind the scenes" at the Library of Congress, and don't forget our luncheon with Rep. Bass, and a photo opportunity on the steps of the Capitol Building.

We will be traveling on Southwest Airlines, with an early morning flight, leaving Manchester Airport around 6:30 a.m. and arriving at BWI Airport about 7:50 a.m.. After arriving at BWI we will ride the bus to the MARC train station (about \$10.00 round-trip) and arrive at Union Station in the heart of downtown Washington at about 8:45 a.m.. From there it's a short walk up to the Capitol Building, where we will have a meet and greet with Rep. Bass and have our pictures taken. Our return flight (the same day) will be from BWI at approximately 8:00 p.m. arriving back at Manchester Airport between 9:00 and 9:30 p.m. These times are approximate based on past programming experience.

I will be calling Southwest to make group reservations in late May or early June to reserve 40 seats, and will be able to let you know the price of the tickets at that time. Including air and train fare, we suggest individuals budget a minimum of funds to cover any unforeseen expenses, souvenir shopping and/or food expenses. For those who have never gone before, but have thought about going, it is a very exciting and fun filled experience. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at 271-2392 or e-mail darlene@library.state.nh.us. Of course, if you would like to join our group, and stay the weekend in Washington, you will have to make your own air reservations. I will let you know our flight number if you let me know you want to join the group in Washington.

There is a lot of walking once we get to Washington, so be sure to wear a comfortable pair of walking shoes. I recommend sneakers or something that will give you good support.

If you wish to take advantage of this unique educational and collegial experience, please e-mail me at darlene@library.state.nh.us with your name, phone number, library, and e-mail (for those school and academic librarians be sure to send me a summertime e-mail address) and I'll put your name on my list. Remember, just because you've asked for more information, does not mean you are committed to going. That happens when we purchase tickets. If you have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

~ Comments from past NH Librarians' Day participants ~

"The tour and workshop at the Library of Congress was interesting and helpful. Their Memory Project is "awesome," I have shared it with several staff members who were very impressed with its depth and breadth."

Elsie Domingo Dover Middle School "The N.H. Librarians' Day in Washington, D.C. was a wonderful experience for me. Meeting other librarians from around the state, school and public from all levels, was an enriching experience. Greet and meet time with Rep. Bass gave the important message that our libraries and librarians are valued as an integral part of education and society. The photo was a lovely keepsake. I enjoyed the tour of the Botanical Gardens, and a brief walk on the mall. A guided tour of the Library of Congress was the highlight for me. The richness of history and art and its contents was inspirational. It was a long, exhausting day, but most valuable and rewarding. Thanks for including me. I hope to have the opportunity to go again."

Eileen Culkin Inter-Lakes Jr/Sr High School Meredith

"At day's end I wondered if the address and arrangements were deliberately planned or a coincidence in the way Mother Nature so often manages, effortlessly. The Congressman graciously provided us entrance to the newly restored Arboretum complete with plants and species native to America. While our senses were still tingling with the sounds of exotic birds, the smells of complimenting plants and flowers were the gentle touch of mist and humidity, Congressman Bass sat us in the warmth of the noonday sun. There on the steps on the House building, he shared with us his obvious pride in successfully saving one of the oldest trees on the Capitol Campus.

Barbara Miles Library & Archives of N.H.'s Political Tradition N.H. State Library, Concord

ONLINE RESOURCES

by Diana Degen Electronic & Government Information Resources

QuestionPoint (Collaboration between OCLC and LC) network for virtual reference service is now running the "Ask a Librarian" from the nh.gov state's homepage. The reference department is currently using it for online reference questions and has a live chat "Chat with a Reference Librarian" from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Monday-Friday.

Workshops - again began the electronic literacy workshops (had previously been concentrating on training for the databases that we had been providing access to) and had a good response. Our library staff offered several Genealogy courses, a Homework Helpers, Ready Reference, Advanced Internet Searching, Web Page Design, as well as Ebsco Searching. Also had several guest instructors, one from Census Bureau covering American FactFinder and NLM on Consumer Health Information.

Databases Now offer access to:

Ebsco for general periodical, consumer health, and business as well as Novelist and resources for the students and teachers.

Newsbank *The Union Leader* and *N.H. Sunday News* AncestryPlus Genealogy Information OCLC for library holdings

WEBJUNCTION: SUSTAINING THE GATES INITIATIVE

(http://webjunction.org)

Designed to support librarians nationwide in sustaining public access computing, the WebJunction portal has been developed by the Gates Foundation, OCLC, the Colorado State Library, the Benton Foundation, and two private companies: Isoph and TechSoup. WebJunction provides librarians with access to timely information, online training courses, online events, web seminars, opportunities for networking with peers and for sharing readily accessible and reusable content (worksheets, how-to's), access to technology tools, membership directory, and message board.

The WebJunction portal has five major sections: Policies and Practices, Technology Resources, Buying Guide, Learning Center, and Community Center. The portal provides information and guidance on technology and staff planning, acceptable use policies, issues surrounding accessibility, and strategies for fundraising and marketing, technology tools and tips for handling hardware and software, and much more. WebJunction has been selected as a training tool for the State Library Training Grant program funded by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. Visit WebJunction and return regularly as the portal's content is enriched over time. Subscribe to Crossroads, the portal newsletter. For more information, you may e-mail info@webjunction.org or call 1-800-848-5878.

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

The **Barrington Public Library** has a job opening for a library clerk, 42 hours per two-week period at \$9.25/hour. This position Require a flexible schedule on the part of the applicant.

Current hours are usually 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. weekday afternoons and alternating Friday and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Primary duties include working the circulation desk, shelving items, answering reference questions, directing patrons on the public access computers, and all overdue phone calls and letters. Familiarity with Athena circulation software and the Cutter system are a plus. Looking for a strong customer service front-person who is quick and ready to branch out into other areas as needed.

This employee currently sends out weekly news releases about events to local newspapers as well. Position open as of March 27, 2004. Please send résumé and cover letter to: Amy Richards, Director, Barrington Public Library, 29 Province Lane, Barrington, N.H. 03825. Tele. (603) 664-9715; fax (603) 664-5219; web address; www.barringtonlibrary.com.

The **Seabrook Library**, conveniently located on the New Hampshire coast, seeks a friendly, creative, technologically competent, energetic, kind, kid-oriented librarian ~ a jack-of-all-trades who is able to leap tall buildings at a single bound (figuratively speaking, of course).

The head of a department of one, this position entails total and complete responsibility for the entire realm of service to local children. We seek an appropriately-degreed individual (MLS preferred) with demonstrated experience in relevant areas within a library setting; a seasoned, consummate professional; someone who can hit the ground running - and never stop. The Children's Librarian must also be a self-starter, be able to work independently, and possess a finely-tuned sense of small town politics. Being flexible, fun loving, well organized, and above all a team player are definitely desirable attributes. A sense of humor is mandatory!

This position currently pays \$17.66/hour. The excellent benefits package includes fully-paid health/life/dental/disability insurance; a 457 retirement plan (ICMA) with a 5% employer match, and the standard vacation/sick/personal leave time.

Seabrook is a small town on the water with easy access to the big cities, beaches, and the mountains. The library is new (1994), modern, and fully computerized. If you think you can fill the large shoes of our retiring Children's Librarian, send a cover letter and résumé immediately to: Elizabeth G. Heath, Director, Seabrook Library, 101 Centennial Street, Seabrook, N.H. 03874-4506. Questions? Phone calls welcomed (603) 474-2044) or e-mail the Director at: ocean@sealib.org. Be sure to put the phrase "Job Inquiry" in the subject line of your message.

The job will be available as of July 1, 2004. Applications now being accepted. Interview will begin shortly. Job opened until filled. Equal Opportunity Employer.

NEW HAMPSHIRE BOOKS COLUMN

by Eleanor O'Donnell N.H. State Library

Christie, Robert W. **FATE'S FINGER**. Xlibris Corporation. 2002. \$13.99 ISBN 1-4010-2914-0

The Lancaster, N.H. author joined a medium tank division in Europe during World War II. This novel is based on his experiences in tank warfare.

Coffin, Rosemary. **THE GARLAND OF PHILIPPA**. Publishing Works, Exeter, N.H. 2001. \$18.00 ISBN 1-880158-44-2

In this fictional account of life in a boy's dormitory at a New Hampshire preparatory school, Philippa Knowles, wife of a classics teacher, strives to raise her family and create a home amidst the chaos of school life. The author spent seventeen years in dormitory housing at Phillips-Exeter Academy.

Gillmore, Robert. **BEAUTY ALL AROUND YOU: HOW TO CREATE LARGE PRIVATE LOW-MAINTENANCE GARDENS, EVEN ON SMALL LOTS AND SMALL BUDGETS**. Sant Bani Press, Tilton, N.H. 2000. \$13.95 ISBN 0-9701682-8-4

Using the techniques in this book, you'll not only have more privacy and larger gardens, but you'll spend less time maintaining them. Landscape gardening expert Gillmore lives in Goffstown.

IMAGES FROM RUIN: POEMS AND ART INSPIRED BY THE EVENTS OF SEPTEMBER

11TH, **2001**. Published by the Poetry Society of New Hampshire. 2002. Order from Patricia Frisella, Treasurer, 282 Meaderboro Road, Farmington, N.H. 03835. ISBN 0-9724167-0-6

Anthology of poems and artwork inspired by the September 11th tragedy.

Jordan, Donna. **NEW HAMPSHIRE'S CONNECTICUT LAKES REGION**. Arcadia (*Images of America*). 2003. \$19.99 ISBN 0-7385-1103-5

The Connecticut Lakes region includes Pittsburg, the most sizable township in the country. From 1832-1836 Pittsburg was known as Indian Stream Republic, maintaining independence from both the U.S. and Canada. Images include rich logging lands, a mecca for sportsmen for more than a hundred years, and waterfront camps, cabins, and lodges.

Landphair, Ted, and Carol M. Highsmith. **THE MOUNT WASHINGTON: A CENTURY OF GRAN-DEUR**. 2003. Order from the Mount Washington Hotel & Resort, tele. 1-800-258-0330, or www.mtwashington.com. 2003. \$39.95, plus S&H.

Published to coincide with the hundredth anniversary of the hotel, this book tells of the vision of Joseph Stickney who, with the architect, Charles Alling Gifford, and a team of Italian workers, created this elegant hotel with spectacular views of the Presidential Range. Illustrated with fascinating historic and contemporary color photographs

Mallace, M. **AS FOR IRELAND**. Sakinnet Press. 2001. \$29.95 ISBN 0-9709333-0-4

For those traveling to Ireland, this work is an extremely readable simplified reference handbook. It provides an inventory of important historical sites, and a sketch of the history, culture, art, literature, and government. Now living in Providence, R.I., the author lived and taught school in Wolfeboro for several years.

Martel, Carol. THE HISTORY OF EAST ALLENSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE AND BEAR BROOK STATE PARK (a remembrance of the past, the vision in the present, a contemplation of the future). Catamount Publishing, LLC, 24 Deerfield Road, Allenstown, N.H. 03275. Online orders catamountpub@aol.com. 2003. \$25.95, plus \$3.00 S&H. ISBN 0-9746220-0-1

The history travels through time from the first land grants in East Allenstown to the present day. Explores the circumstances leading to the building of Bear Brook State Park including Roosevelt's New Deal and Civilian Conservation Corp occupation and contribution. Photographs depict the step-by-step building of the park.

Morris, Zhana, and Trevor F. Bartlett. **THE MUSIC HALL, PORTSMOUTH**. Arcadia (*Images of America*). 2003. \$19.99 ISBN 0-7385-1249-4

Built in 1877, the Music Hall today stands as New Hampshire's oldest operating theater, on whose stage such entertainment as Sousa and Mark Twain appeared. Original photographs, playbills, posters, and other theater memorabilia provide a pictorial history of this Portsmouth landmark.

Older, Julia, and Steve Sherman. NATURE WALKS ALONG THE SEACOAST: MASSACHUSETTS, NEW HAMPSHIRE, AND MAINE. Appalachian Mountain Club Books. 2003. \$15.95 ISBN 1-929173-12-1

The authors lead nature lovers of all ages on more than 50 walks along the northern Atlantic coast. This guide reveals the remarkable variety of ecosystems that make up this coastline. Detailed descriptions of flora and fauna, as well as geographical highlights, offer a fascinating glimpse into the region's unique natural history. Includes trail maps, directions, photos, and level of difficulty of each walk.

Peters, Stephanie True. **HOW TO DRAW NEW HAMPSHIRE SIGHTS AND SYMBOLS**. Powerkids Press. 2002. \$25.25 ISBN 0-8239-6085-4

This volume in *A Kid's Guide to Drawing America* series provides a comprehensive introduction to key sights and symbols of New Hampshire. Easy-to-follow instructions and step-by-step illustrations are given so young readers can draw some of them.

Starbuck, David R. **NEITHER PLAIN NOR SIMPLE: NEW PERSPECTIVES ON THE CANTER-BURY SHAKERS**. University Press of New England. 2004. \$29.95 ISBN 1-58465-210-1

For twenty years the author has been conducting archeological research at Canterbury Shaker Village, documenting the built and natural environment of the community. The artifacts excavated at the village include a surprising array of consumer artifacts such as wine bottles, pharmaceutical bottles and pipes for smoking, acquired from the "World's People." Such items contradict the popular image of the Shakers as plain, simple, and otherworldy.

Tomaszewski, Suzanne Lynn. Illustrated by Nina Dionne. **SAMUEL'S EXETER WALKABOUT**. Gold Charm Publishing, P.O. Box 161, Nottingham, N.H. 03290. Website: www.goldcharmpublishing.com. Produced by Publishing Works. 2003. \$14.95

ISBN 0-9744855-0-0

Samuel, the cat, wanders around Exeter, discovering many local historic sites. He explores the mill buildings, the bandstand, the tavern, the railroad depot, and other sites, imagining what life was like in bygone days. The author and illustrator, both second grade teachers, say this is the first in a series of Samuel's historic walkabouts around New England towns.

Weatherby, Elliott. **HEY PAL, SAVE YOUR MONEY!** Publishing Works, Exeter, N.H. 2004. \$12.95 ISBN 0-9744803-2-0

Everyone wants to be able to save for a rainy day. The author has some ideas to hook your saving to spending, and how to develop simple saving rituals in your daily activities. He demonstrates how to make saving money fun, interesting, and rewarding. His simple but practical techniques are set forth with humor. The author is a former professor of psychology and therapist who makes his home in Exeter.

Correction: The Publisher was inadvertently omitted from this review in the last issue.

Older, Julia, and Steve Sherman. **GRAND MONADNOCK: EXPLORING THE MOST POPU-LAR MOUNTAIN IN AMERICA**. Appledore Books, 2nd edition. 2003. \$20.00 ISBN 0-9741488-0-6

Known as the most climbed mountain in the world, Grand Monadnock's summit provides spectacular panoramic views of the six New England states on a clear day. This book describes its trails, its geological formation, the taverns and inns in the area, its effect on literature and arts, its flora and fauna, and efforts to protect the mountain. The authors have hiked it in every season. The beautiful color photographs in the book attest to their love for this magnificent peak and the surrounding area.

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"LIBRARIES: HOW THEY STACKUP" OCLC LOOKS AT THE ECONOMIC IMPACT OF LIBRARIES*

by Sue Palmatier State Data Coordinator North Country Office, Lancaster

Libraries: How They Stack Up, a recent report from OCLC, is a snapshot of the economic impact of libraries in the U.S. and around the world, making some interesting and informative comparisons among professions, sectors, and destinations.

Here are some statistics you can toss out the next time you go to town meeting, having a barbecue, wait in line at Shaw's, or visit the dentist. Spread the word about the value of libraries in our lives.

Libraries buy about \$31 billion in goods and services worldwide every year; U.S. libraries account for \$14 billion of those purchases. This is more than Americans spend to buy videos or athletic footwear or to visit bars and taverns; it's just short of what businesses spend on magazine advertising. Just imagine the impact if all those cards that fall out of *Newsweek, Family Circle*, and *PC Magazine* were ads for library service.

How much do New Hampshire libraries spend on goods and services? In 2002 they spent \$41.6 million.

U.S. public libraries circulate 1.8 billion items a year, including interlibrary loan; academic libraries add 136 million to that number, for a total circulation of more than 1.9 billion per year. New Hampshire public libraries circulated 8.2 million items last year; that 6.4 items per capita. Rather striking for one of the smallest states in the country.

Did you know that U.S. public library cardholders outnumber Amazon customers by almost 5 to 1? That every day, U.S. libraries circulate 4 times as many items as Amazon handles? Or that libraries circulate more items than FedEx ships every day? Amazon has 30 million customers; public libraries have 148 million registered borrowers. Amazon ships 1.5 million items a day; FedEx ships about 5.3 million items a day; but **public libraries circulate 5.4 million items a day**. New Hampshire public libraries circulated 22,450 items a day in 2002. Are you impressed yet?

How about the fact that more than one out of every six people in the world is a registered library user? The world has 6.2 billion people; 1.1 billion have library cards. Almost 650,000 cards belong to New Hampshire library users.

Which gets the highest attendance, libraries or sports events? If you said libraries, you've either been peeking or you've notice a theme running through this article: libraries are popular. Attendance at U.S. professional *and* college football, basketball, baseball, and hockey games in 2002? 204 million. Visits to public libraries in the U.S.? 1.1 billion. In other words, more than five times as many people went to public libraries in this country in 2002 as sat in arenas and stadiums noshing hot dogs, popcorn, and Coke. In New Hampshire alone, 5.1 million people visited their local libraries last year.

If all those library patrons were to pay the average sports ticket price of \$35 every time they visited a library, U.S. libraries would take in more than \$39 billion in revenues each year. In 2002, New Hampshire public libraries would have had \$1.8 billion to spend - considerably more than the \$41.5 million they actually received.

The one million libraries in the world (139,800 in the U.S. alone) hold 16 million volumes, about 2.5 for every person on earth. At an average price of \$45 per book, those library holdings are worth \$720 billion, or almost three-quarters of a trillion dollars. Public libraries account for about \$202 billion of that figure. New Hampshire libraries hold 5.6 million books; at \$45 per volume, they're worth about \$252 million. Is your insurance up to date? After all, you have custody of almost $4\frac{1}{2}$ books for every person in the state.

There are 690,000 librarians in the world; 203,000 are in the U.S. - about the same as the number of architects, and more than twice the number of rocket scientists. Of those 203,000 librarians, 626 work in public libraries in New Hampshire. U.S. librarians provide over 422 million hours of service every year (203,000 x 40 x 52). Using that formula, New Hampshire public librarians provided more than 1.3 million hours of service in 2002. You all deserve a long, relaxing vacation.

OCLC found that libraries stack up quite nicely against other destinations, sectors, and professions. The next time you need to defend your budget, your staffing, or your services, you might define your library as an integral part of a great movement

- the library as an economic engine
- ✓ the library as a logistics expert
- ✓ the library as a valued destination
- ✓ the library as a global information supplier
- ✓ the library as home to a vibrant and sizable profession

And don't forget...

✓ the library as a wondrous place to be.

For more information, see the full report at http://www.oclc.org/index/compare/default.htm

Network Services has changed its name! Beginning April 6, 2004, the name of this Section at the State Library will be known as New Hampshire Automated Information Ssystem (NHAS) Services.

This name is more reflective of the type of work done in the basement corner offices of the State Library. It also eliminates any possible confusion with the Network Services Section of the Office of Information Technology.

NHAIS Services does appear to be more descriptive of the work done in the section to SERVE the cataloging and interlibrary loan work of New Hampshire libraries.

COMPACT DISC MINIMUM-ADVERTISED PRICE ANTITRUST LITIGATION

by Susan M. Palmatier N. H. State Library

In October, 2000, after years of investigation, the attorneys general of 43 states and territories brought suit against five recorded-music distributors and three retailers for price fixing. When the court decided in favor of the plaintiffs (the states) in May 2003, the judge imposed fines of various amounts. The firms will pay \$67.4 million to individuals (which works out to \$13.86 per person), and \$75.7 million to all 50 states (based on population) for distribution - in the form of CDs - to public agencies and non-profit organizations. The 17 distributors charged with price fixing were doing business as Sony, BMG, EMI, WEA (Time-Warner, et al), and Universal; the retailers were Musicland Stores, Trans World Entertainment, and Tower Records. Despite denying any wrongdoing, the defendants have not engaged in the practice of minimum-advertised pricing (MAP) since 2000; at that time they agreed to refrain from doing it for seven years, thereby settling a complaint brought against them earlier by the Federal Trade Commission.

Because New Hampshire had not been a party to the original antitrust suit, Sue Palmatier checked with David Rienzo, an Assistant Attorney General for New Hampshire to see what our standing was. He said New Hampshire libraries and other non-profit organizations will indeed receive CDs. He checked with the law firm that's handling the distribution and found that they're hoping to send out the CDs in late spring or early summer 2004. However, he emphasized that this is far from a define timeline; one of the defendants has yet to tell the law firm when they will deliver their allocated share.

Mr. Rienzo said New Hampshire will be receiving approximately 24,259 CDs; the lion's share will go to public schools and libraries. It was estimated that each library would receive about 50, but that figure may have been overly optimistic. Originally, the N.H. Library Association was to distribute the CDs. Sine they'll be going to both public and school libraries, the State Library - which has both public and school consultants - will work out a distribution formula and handle delivery via the van system; libraries without van service will receive their CDs in the mail

We have no idea what titles will be available; however, Massachusetts libraries have already received CDs representing eleven genres - everything from hip-hop to Horowitz. So watch for similar free discs to arrive at your library next summer!

In the meantime, if you had signed up to participate in the settlement as an individual, and were expecting a check for \$13.86, you should have already received it; mailing began on February 20, 2004 and continued for two weeks thereafter. Sue Palmatier received hers the first week of March.

If you's like more details about the case or the settlement, please get in touch with Sue Palmatier at the State Library's North Country Office: spalmatier@library.state.nh.us or 1-800-462-1726. You may also go to the following website, where you'll find a fink to the judge's order:

http://www.musiccdsettlement.com/english/default.htm. (Actually, just entering the URL up through ".com" will get you there.)

TEEN SUMMER READING RESOURCES

by Ann Hoey, Youth Services Coordinator N.H. State Library

I had great plans to put together a teen summer reading manual that could be used by librarians in New Hampshire this summer. Unfortunately, the lack of funding and lack of time squashed these plans. What I can offer are some support and some resources that I gleaned from various sources. (Please note: All of the web addresses were current as of March 2004).

If you would like to have a "soup to nuts" manual to follow, then you can download one in .pdf format at the following web address: http://skyways.lib.ks.us/KSL/development/teensummerreading.pdf. This manual was developed by a committee of Kansas librarians for the 2002 "Laugh Out Loud" Summer Reading theme. If contains everything you need to put together a successful teen summer reading program including booklists, programming ideas, publicity tips and more. Even if you do not want to use the "Laugh Out Loud" theme, you will find much useful information in the manual. Please respect the copyright restrictions and credit statements when using the materials in the manual.

In addition, you can find summer reading programming ideas and advice at a couple of other state library websites. Although the programs relate to a particular theme, most of the material can be adapted for general teen summer reading programs. At the website of the Texas State Library and Archives Commission, you will find many good programming ideas including art scavenger hunts, CD crafts, survivor games, and more. Go to this link for the "Read Across Texas" Young Adult program page: http://castor.tsl.state.tx.us/ld/projects/trc/2002/manual/ya/.

New York's page lists programming ideas related to a newspaper theme, but again, many of the programs can be tied to a different theme or to no theme at all. Visit the .pdf document at http://www.summerreadingnys.org/planners/manual/chap-5.pdf. You can also access New York's 2003 Summer Reading "Picture This, Imagine That -- Read!" materials for teens at http://www.summerreadingnys.org/2003/teens/indx.html. A pubic library site with more programming ideas for a teen SRP can be found at http://www.cplrmh.com/summer.html.

You can also find two publications at the state library that address the topic of teen summer reading programs: Sizzling Summer Reading Programs for Young Adults by Katharine Kan and The Youth Cyberian's Guide to Developing Instructional, Curriculum-related, Summer Reading, and Recreational Programs by Lisa Champelli. You may borrow these titles through interlibrary loan.

For those of you who want to try something different from offering prizes and other material incentives, you may wish to consider using your teen summer reading program as a vehicle for proving community service. You could have participants ask people to pledge money for books read, and then the teen summer reading program can donate the money to a community organization or effort like the elementary school playground fund. You could also join an already established reading/service program such as "Read for Feed," sponsored by Heiffer International. This program inspires kids to read more books for pleasure, while raising money, through sponsored reading, to help end world hunger and improve the environment. For more information on this project visit the following: http://www.readtofeed.org/.

And finally, if you attend the N.H. Libraries Conference at the Mount Washington Hotel in May, look for the summer reading suggestions put together by the Young Adult Librarians of New Hampshire (YALS). This group will have a table in the vendor hall with handouts offering their tried and true summer reading ideas for teens.

Please feel free to call on me at anytime with your teen summer reading questions. I can be reached at 271-2865 or ahoey@library.state.nh.us.

Happy Summer!

N.H. STATE LIBRARY EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY ALERT

by Tom Ladd, Education Coordinator N.H. State Library North Country Office, Lancaster

The N.H. State Library is pleased to announce the Spring 2004 offerings in the Modular Library Education Program. Full information is available online at: http://www.state.nh.us/nhsl/libed/modules.html. Registration forms are linked from that page, or directly at: http://www.nh.gov/libed/modreg.html. Please note the new address for registrations!

Questions? Please contact Tom Ladd, N.H. State Library Education Coordinator at 1-800-462-1726 (N.H. only), 788-5197, or by e-mail at tladd@library.state.nh.us.

SPRING 2004 MODULES --

Children & Youth Services Overview (JUV-01) -- 9 contact hours -- intended for anyone working in a library that provides services to children and young adults.

This course will familiarize students with the concepts of library services to children and young adults, and how they fit into the library's service response to the community. It is intended to be a general orientation for all public library employees and as a beginning module for children's and YA services staff. (No prerequisite)

Section: JUV-01-2004B Dates: Thursday, May 6; 20; 27, 2004

Site: **Bedford** Public Library Time: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

Instructor: Lesley Gaudreau Tuition: \$100

Puppetry Programming (JUV-05) -- 7 contact hours -- intended for anyone interested in using puppets in children's programming.

This course will present basic puppetry skills, demonstrate how puppetry can be used in programming, and develop the ability to adapt stories into puppet scripts or programs. (No prerequisites)

Section: JUV-05-2004A Dates: Saturday, May 1, 2004 Site: **Stratham**, Wiggin Memorial Library Friday, May 7, 2004

Instructor: Joan Knight Time: 10:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. - May 1

10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. - May 7

Tuition: \$80

The Reference Interview (REF-02) -- 9 contact hours -- intended for anyone doing any reference work with the public.

This course is designed for anyone working in a library who helps the public with any sort of reference questions. Students will learn and practice the best methods of clarifying exactly what the patron wants to know. Students have shown that using these interpersonal interview skills contribute more than any other factor to reference patron satisfaction. (No prerequisites)

Section: REF-02-2004A Dates: Friday, May 21; 28, 2004; June 18, 2004

Site: Keene Public Library Time: 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Instructor: Kathy Van Weelden Tuition: \$100

2004 NATIONAL BOOK FESTIVAL TO BE HELD OCTOBER 9, 2004

The fourth annual National Book Festival, organized and sponsored by the Library of Congress and hosted by the first lady Laura Bush, will be held on Saturday, October 9, 2004 on the National Mall in Washington, D.C., between 7th and 14th Streets from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (rain or shine). The festival is free and open to the public.

"As America's library, the Library of Congress is pleased to welcome people from around the country to this widely anticipated national cultural event," said Librarian of Congress James H. Billington. "Our goal in sponsoring this annual celebration of books, reading and creatively is to help create a nation of readers who use and appreciate the rich resources in our country's libraries."

The 2003 Festival attracted 80 award-winning authors, illustrators, poets and storytellers, and a crowd of more than 70,000. This year's Festival is expected to be even bigger. Author pavilions returning for the 2004 National Book Festival include *Teens & Children*, *Fiction & Imagination*, *Mysteries & Thrillers*, *History & Biography*, *Home & Family* and the *Pavilion of the States*, representing reading programs and literary events in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and the trusts and territories. The Library of Congress will once again have its own pavilion with demonstrations of a wide variety of services such as a conservation clinic for family photographs and letters and virtual tours of its online collections at www.loc.gov.

Festival goers may bring books, or buy them at the festival, for authors to sign. Children can meet some of their favorite storybook and television characters, who will appear on the festival grounds throughout the day.

The 2004 National Book Festival will be made possible through the generous support of the private sector.

For more information about the 2004 National Book Festival, call toll-free 1-888-714-4696 or visit the Festival's website at www.loc.gov/bookfest.

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NEW HAMPSHIRE'S STATEWIDE FAMILY LITERACY CONFERENCE

When: Thursday, June 3, 2004

Time: 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Place: Loon Mountain Hotel & Conference Center, Lincoln, N.H.

Topic: Focus on Family Literacy

Keynote Speaker: Victoria Purcell-Gates

Author of Other People's Words: the Cycle of Low Literacy

Don't miss an extraordinary opportunity to meet this nationally recognized author!

Hands-on workshops will include:

- ✓ accessing services for multi-stressed families
- ✓ writing poetry between family members
- ✓ improving parenting education
- encouraging reluctant readers

Other workshops TBA - also FUN surprises and special events! More information and registration form available in early April. An all day event, including continental breakfast and lunch \$25.00. Discounted hotel rates. For more information call Carolyn Shepard at the HUB (603) 749-9754.

Sponsored by the New Hampshire Department of Education, Statewide Family Literacy Initiative, and New Hampshire Even Start Family Literacy Programs.

COURSES BEING OFFERED AT THE STATE LIBRARY Spring 2004

APRIL ~	13 -	Homework Survival Skills for Schools and Public Librarians
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All course information including: the monthly calendar; dates, times and locations; course codes; and registration information is online at http://nh.gov/nhsl/training/course.html.

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GET ON BOARD AND READ @ YOUR LIBRARY

With only a few weeks left in the *Get On Board and Read @ Your Library* program, now is the time to remind teens to submit their entries. Teens can send entries in by themselves or the librarian can collect entries at the library and send them in bulk in order to receive special incentives.

If you send in:

- 5 14 entries ~ you'll received 50 coupons for Hershey's Milk
- 15 24 entries ~ 15 Hershey's Milk t-shirts
- 25 or more entries ~ an autographed poster of Tony Hawk, plus 25 t-shirts

Librarians who submit at least 5 entries, along with a report on how they promoted the program and sample publicity materials, will be entered into a drawing for a \$100 gift bookstore gift certificate.

Here are some last-minute ideas to promote the program:

- ✓ Host a Get on Board and Read party for your teen book club or advisory board at your library. Invite them to bring a favorite book and create their entries. Provide inexpensive door prizes for those that attend
- ✓ Encourage teachers to use the program in class, either as an assignment or as extra credit.
- ✓ Post signs in the teen area about the deadline with copies of the entry form.

Remember ~ all entries must be postmarked by **Friday, April 23, 2004**. <u>No express mail packages</u> (UPS, FedEX etc.) can be accepted because the location is a PO Box.

About the program \sim To enter, teens between the ages of 12 - 18 select a book from the library and create an entry about the message of the book and why it's meaningful to them. Entries may be submitted in a written essay or a creative entry consisting of a poem, painting or video, and may be created individually or as a team. Each teen or team must have their librarian sponsor them in the contest by having the librarian fill out a sponsor form.

All of the information about the program, including the official rules, information about incentives and free downloadable promotional materials is available at www.hersheysmilk.com/getonboard.

NEH ANNOUNCES FIRST WE THE PEOPLE BOOKSHELF AWARDS TO 500 LIBRARIES

The National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) has announced that it has awarded free copies of 15 classic books from the first *We the People Bookshelf* to 500 school and local libraries throughout the country. The theme of this year's booklist is "courage."

The We the People Bookshelf on "courage" contains the following books:

- · Grades K-3: The Cabin Faced West by Jean Fritz

 Anansi the Spider by Gerald McDermott

 Sylvester and the Magic Pebble by William Steig
- · Grades 4-6: The Matchlock Gun by Walter D. Edmonds
 The Dream Keeper and Other Poems by Langston Huges
 My Side of the Mountain by Jean Craighead George
 Little House on the Prairie by Laura Ingalls Wilder
- · Grades 7-8: *Johnny Tremain* by Esther Forbes

 Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass by Frederick Douglass

 The Hobbit by J.R.R. Tolkein
- · Grades 9-12: The Red Badge of Courage by Stephen Crane
 Invisible Man by Ralph Ellison
 Profiles in Courage by John F. Kennedy
 Adventures of Huckleberry Finn by Mark Twain
 To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee

In June 2003 at the Vice President's Residence in Washington, D.C., Lynne Cheney and Chairman Cole announced the first *We the People Bookshelf*, an annual list of books for young readers on a theme related to American history and ideals. Cole also announced plans to offer complete sets of the books to school and public libraries for public programs in their communities.

At the first deadline on October 15, 2003, the Endowment received 625 eligible requests. Because of the interest generated among libraries for this program, NEH will make an additional 500 awards to be announced later this year. The 625 applications to receive the "courage" books were examined by a committee of children's librarians, young adult librarians, and educational programmers. NEH agreed that the 500 top-rated applications should receive the books.

The awards will go to neighborhood and public school libraries, as well as private schools, charter schools, tribal schools, and military schools. Libraries selected to receive the awards will organize programs or events to raise awareness of these classic books and engage young readers.

A complete list of the first 500 school and public libraries to receive the *We the People Bookshelf* on "courage" is available as a PDF document (8 pages) may be found at: http://www.neh.gov/pdf/bookshelf3-2004.pdf. For a copy of the complete press release: http://www.neh.gov/news/archive/20040316.html.

"WE THE PEOPLE BOOKSHELF" New Hampshire Award Winners

Fiske Free Library, Claremont Gilford Public Library, Gilford Trinity Christian School Media Center, Keene Nottingham School Library Media Center, Nottingham

NEW HAMPSHIRE GATES TRAINING FOR PUBLIC LIBRARIES

The state of New Hampshire has received a training program grant from the Gates Foundation. This technology training is for public libraries in New Hampshire and will include half and full-day workshops at various locations across the state. The workshops will include small group as well as hands-on larger lab sessions covering topics ranging from computer troubleshooting and maintenance, advanced Internet searching, to teaching technology to older adults and establishing community coalitions to build funding support.

Eligibility

All public library staff in the state are eligible for this training. All the training workshops will be on a space available basis and will be limited to one person from each library. The small group computer workshops will be limited to four participants from libraries in the geographic area of the workshop.

Cost

There is no cost for these workshops.

Classes

The following classes will be offered. For course descriptions and locations go to http://www.nh.gov/training/gates/.

- Advanced Internet Searching
- **▼** EBSCO Administration
- ▼ Targeting Technology for Specific Populations: How to Reach Youth and Older Adults
- → Establishing Community Coalitions: How to Use Collaboration, Advocacy and Public Awareness to Develop Community Resources
- ✓ Your PC Inside and Out
- ✓ Connecting PC's: Intro to Networking

Registration

You may register online by going to: http://www.nh.gov/nhsl/training/gates/regform.html.

LIBRARY HAPPENINGS

NEWS FROM

Amherst - The Amherst Town Library will offer Wireless Internet Access for properly equipped laptops and handheld computers beginning in March 2004. We look forward to providing this new service for our patrons. Many of our patrons are already using their laptops in the library, and soon they will be able to access the Internet and take advantage of the library's online resources as well. There are several advantages of WiFi in the library:

- ✓ No waiting for an available computer
- → No enforced time limits
- → Ability to work at study tables or quieter areas
- ✓ Fast access
- → Download files as you like
- ✓ Save files on your own computer

The wireless network will be accessed via our cable connection, while the library's computer network will be accessed via frame relay/T1 connections. For more information contact Library Director Natasha Leonard at 673-2288 or nleonard@amherst.lib.nh.us.

Merrimack - The winter flood at the Merrimack Public Library happened on January 10, 2004 when a heater pipe burst in the library's foyer. Resulting damage was to a few books in the book drop, the entire staff room, water in the elevator shaft, and carpeting near these spaces. The library was closed for three days. Most of the damage was repaired quick and the repairs to the staff room have also been completed. I was glad no computers and little of the library's materials were damaged.

TOWN MEETING REPORTS

Barrington - The town of Barrington passed an \$8,000 increase in salary for the Library Director in order to be in range of like-sized communities with similar libraries. They also passed a 2.5% increase to all other library staff salaries. \$4,500 was added back into the materials budget after having been cut in 2003. This return to the 2002 levels was much needed in order to keep up with the demanding circulation of over 50,000 items this year. \$3,600 was included to purchase slat wall end caps for the adult area in order to increase display space and a technology line of \$1,500 was supported for a second year in a row.

Epsom - On March 9th the voters of Epsom voted to appropriate money for a new library. The bond for \$250,000 will be combined with \$156,000 in our capital reserve, \$30,000 of money previously raised, and \$200,000 of donations and pledges. We will still need to raise approximately \$125,000 to \$200,000 in donations, pledges, and grants. After so many years of trying this success is extremely sweet!

Hampstead - The Hampstead Public Library had an article in this year's Town Meeting warrant requesting the release of \$37,000 from capital reserve and from private funds to furnish the second floor of the library building. Last year's Town Meeting approved funds to renovate the vacant, wide open space on the second

floor into usable library area. Construction is now under way with an anticipated completion date in early May. But the new space needs furnishings and the release of the funds requested in Article 25 of the warrant will provide much of what is needed. As is often the case with Town Meeting warrant articles, the phrasing of the article was confusing. Legally the article had to ask the town meeting to "raise and appropriate" the funds even though the funds were actually already available and only needed the voters to approve the article to release them. The library staged a campaign to inform the voting public that there would be no impact on the tax rate from approving Article 25. Press releases, flyers and bookmarks tried to explain that the funds were there already, just waiting to be formally given to the library and that these monies could not be used for any other purpose or be returned to the general fund. Passing the article would have no effect on the tax rate. Failing to pass it would be equally ineffective, but would seriously handicap the second floor completion project. Happily, on March 9, 2004, the voters approved the Article by an almost 2 to 1 majority. Of course, one can't help wondering what the people who voted against it were thinking since releasing the money wasn't going to cost any one any thing. But 1,726 voters know what it meant and voted "yes", so furnishings for the second floor are assured and the Hampstead Public Library will double in size late this spring.

Hampton - A warrant article for \$115,000 for repairs to the library easily passed. It originally was for \$100,000 to make repairs to the roof, handicapped ramp and whatever else we could squeak out of it. When the Children's Room was flooded, the selectmen, who sponsored the warrant article, came to us and suggested they amend it to include the insurance deductible and other uninsured costs. The selectmen suggested adding \$50,000, but we talked them into \$15,000 as being more realistic. We think that was a politic move, as it was one of the few monied articles to pass. More (in the article) might have meant less - as in fewer votes. The town's operating budget failed, sending us to default. We are scheduled to lose approximately \$15,000 from our operating budget, though there are whispers that the smaller departments might not be cut as cutting a project or two from one of the big three departments, (police, fire, public works) may be enough to cover the rest of the departments.

Madbury - You're invited to a library open house. Take a tour of the new Madbury Public Library and meet the next generation of librarians. A group of students from Simmons College Graduate School of Library and Information Science in Boston are coming up to take a tour of the new Madbury library and to learn about library life in the real world. Please join us to share your library stories, meet the students, and take a peek at the new Madbury Public Library. When? April 24, 2004, 1:00 p.m., 9 Town Hall Road, Madbury. Direction: Take Route 155 into Madbury and turn onto Town Hall Road. The library is the first building on the right side, across from the playing fields (it is a white ranch house)

Pittsfield - The citizens of Pittsfield approved \$59,800 as a capital outlay for the purpose of renovating the Josiah Carpenter Library building for handicapped accessibility and upgrading mechanical systems. The citizens' 2004 capital outlay follows their approval in 2003 to spend \$20,000 to purchase land that will enable the construction of a handicapped entry ramp. The local funds will supplement a grant for \$170,000 from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, which was awarded due to the support and efforts of Senator John Sununu.

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IN REMEMBRANCE

Memorial services for **Daniel J. Boorstin**, 89, Librarian of Congress Emeritus, who died on February 28, 2004, will be held on Tuesday, April 27th, in the Coolidge Auditorium of the Thomas Jefferson Building, 10 First Street, S.E., Washington, D.C. The service is open to the public. Boorstin was Librarian of Congress from 1975 until he retired in 1987. A prize-winning historian, he was eulogized at a private family service on March 2nd by Librarian of Congress James H. Billington as a "great American" and "a matchless chronicler of the uniqueness, the innovative spirit and the everyday practicality of our shared American experience." In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Center for the Book in the Library of Congress, which Boorstin founded in 1977.

William Jenisch, 93, of Epsom died Monday, January 26, 2004 at the Epsom Healthcare Center after a period of failing health. He was born in Barnstead and worked for N.H. Artistic Web Company for more than 50 years. He volunteered for the Barnstead Parade Volunteer Fire Company and was a member of the Barnstead Conservation Commission. He was active with the local schools, and served on local and regional school boards for more than 30 years. He served on the N.H. State Library Commission for several years, beginning in 1980. Survivors include two sons, three grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. Memorial services will be held in the spring at Riverview Cemetery in Barnstead.

Rachel B. Sanborn, 89, of Fremont Road, died March 24, 2004, at the Colonial Poplin Nursing Home, Fremont, after a long illness. She was born on May 12, 1914, in Wareham, MA, later moving to Bourne, MA, where she graduated from Bourne High School. She received her bachelor of arts degree in library science from Simmons College. She formerly resided in Brookline, MA, and Great Neck, Long Island, NY, before settling in Epping in 1938. Mrs. Sanborn was a librarian for many years with both the Epping Town Library and the N.H. State Library, Concord. She ran the southeast district of the Book Mobile and later the state district of the Book Mobile. She was a member of the N.H. Library Association and the Epping Town Library Association. She was an active member of the Epping Community Church and the Church Ladies Aide, a member of Busy Fingers 4-H, Rockingham Grange, epping Women's Club, Epping Gardne Club, Epping P.T.A., and the Epping Historical Society. She was predeceased b her husband, Richard Sanborn, on December 4, 2003. The family includes two sons of Epping; a daughter of Atkinson; five grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and nieces and nephews. Services were held on April 27, 2004 at the Epping Community Church. Burial followed in Prospect Cemetery, Epping.

Jeanette Wilkins Skinner, 90 of Concord, died Saturday, February 21, 2004 at Concord Hospital after a brief illness. She was born in Concord and graduated from Concord High School. Mrs. Skinner worked for the N.H. Historical Society and the Cancer Commission. While living in Exeter she helped to establish a library at the Lincoln Street Elementary School and was the first librarian. While living in Concord she worked for the Probate Court and the N.H. State Library for many years. She is survived by her husband of 10 years, Richard Skinner of Concord, a son, a daughter, a stepson, a granddaughter, and a great-granddaughter, and many good friends. A memorial service was held on Wednesday, February 25, 2004. Memorial donations may be made to N.H. Pubic Television, Durham, N.H.

Velma Stone, 91, died January 15, 2004 at the home of her daughter in Greenfield, she was born in Lynn, MA, November 20, 1912. She graduated from Lvnn Classical in Lynn, MA, in 1929, then attended Jackson College at Tufts University in Medford, MA and graduated in 1933. She lived in Neeham, MA until 1976. She and her husband ran Camp Union, Otter Lake Conservation School in Greenfield, from 1947 to 1976. She was executive secretary for the New England Camping Association for 15 years. She became librarian of the Stephenson Library, Greenfield, in 1982 and retired in 2002. She was a board member of Stone Environmental Schools of New England. She was a member of Union Congregational Church, Peterborough, and past president of the Greenfield Woman's Club. She came to Greenfield to live in 1976. The family includes three daughters, two sons, 15 grandchildren, and 16 great-grandchildren. Interment will be in Greenvale Cemetery, Greenfield, in the spring.

Marion L Sullivan, 90, of Sugar Hill, died peacefully, January 14, 2004 at the Lafayette Health Care Center, Franconia. She had resided there for the past eight years. She was born December 24, 1913 in Dorchester, MA. She graduated from Hudson High School (MA) in 1930 and was one of three graduates to present an essay. She entered Simmons College (Boston, MA) at the age of 16 and was graduated from Simmons College in 1934 with a degree in social work. She also studied at the New York School of Social Work. She married William C. Sullivan, January 5, 1946 at the Immaculate Conception Church in Lancaster, MA, and subsequently spent the next 25 years living in Maryland, while her husband worked for the FBI in Washington, DC. It was there that she raised her family. In 1971 she and her husband retired to Sugar Hill. She became involved in many volunteer activities and served as librarian of the Sugar Hill Library for many years. She was a member of the Willing Workers and served as participant, treasurer, and eventually president. She was also on the board of directors of the Bancroft House in Franconia for many years. She was predeceased by her husband and a brother. She leaves a daughter, two sons, four grandchildren and her beloved friend of 73 years. Services were held at St. Michael's Church in Hudson, MA, January 17, 2004.

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